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1. Vietnam

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In South Vietnam, the critical attitude of Buddhist leader Tri Quang toward the government appears to be hardening. While he does not appear to US Embassy observers to be committed to any particular course of action, he is saying that "sooner or later the government will have to go."

2. Greece

There have been some defections from the Papandreou camp, but the chances are dim that the Athanasiadis-Novas government can long survive.

Papandreou still commands broad support and he clearly intends to make the future of the monarchy a leading element of new elections, should it come to that.

The King, who has returned to Corfu for the week end, would probably prefer to let former deputy premier Stephanopolous try to form a government before calling for elections, which no one, except perhaps Papandreou, wants.

Public gatherings have been banned in Athens, and two battalions of reinforcements have been sent in. The government's security arrangements may be severely tested tonight when leftwingers plan a big rally.

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